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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Clark County Mental Health Advisory Board Minutes February 25, 2004

Board Members: Judi Borchers, George Delgado, Bob Fizzell, Randall Kleinhesselink, Pat McConnaughey, James Mead, Tom Stallone, Quan Tran, and David Weniger

Members Present: Judi Borchers, Bob Fizzell, Randall Kleinhesselink, James Mead, Quan Tran, David Weniger, Tom Stallone, George Delgado, and David Weniger

Staff Present: Midge Burmaster, Cheri Dolezal, Jerry Dolezal, Karyl Ramsey, Connie Mom-Chhing, Geoff Knapp, and Tracy Stief

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Pat McConnaughey

Guests: Ricki Bournival (Division of Developmental Disabilities), Jonnie Hyde and Carol Gross (Mental Health Northwest), John Magnano and David Reed (Columbia River Mental Health Services), Patti Renfro (Catholic Community Services); Paul Ritola (NAMI)

Agenda Item	DISCUSSION	DISCUSSION LEADERS	DECISIONS, ACTIONS, MOTIONS, ASSIGNMENTS
I. Meeting Minutes Approval	The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by David Weniger, Chair.	David Weniger	Minutes from the January 28, 2004 meeting were approved as written.
II. A. Manager's Report	<p>The board received a summary report that compares the budget proposals from the Governor, the House, and the Senate. The ratable reductions that the RSN's took when the Governor vetoed last year is back in the budget.</p> <p>Midge read an e-mail from Karl Brimner, Director, Mental Health Division, regarding the CMS Waiver Renewal. Information in the e-mail indicates that, as of April 4, we will be moving to a statewide Medicaid-only system. Clark County is positioned well for the move to Medicaid-only services.</p>	Midge Burmaster	A work session has been scheduled for March 4 at 4:00 p.m. for an update on the discussion with the Mental Health Division taking place on

			February 27.
II. B. Quality Manager's Report	A copy of the final version of the Quality Improvement Work Plan was distributed to the board.	Midge Burmaster (in Sela's absence)	
II. C. IS Update	All agencies are utilizing the new software and have transmitted data to the RSN database. We will begin sending data to the state when all testing is completed which should be by the end of next week. Jerry distributed and reviewed a draft of the data report to board members. Hardware and software upgrade needs are currently being determined. Once the upgrades have been completed Phase II (electronic medical records) can begin.	Jerry Dolezal	
III. CIT Update	George gave an update on the Crisis Intervention Team. Two 40-hour training sessions have been scheduled in 2004, one in May and one in October. A three year plan has been proposed at the Vancouver Police Department for officers and their supervisors to receive training in Crisis Intervention. CIT is working closely with NAMI using them as a referral resource, forming a CIT Committee within NAMI, and participating in the NAMI Walk. The Crisis Intervention Team will resume its meetings this Friday and will continue to meet once a month for the remainder of the year. Future projects include introducing the CIT model statewide and developing a plan for assisting schools with mental health crisis situations.	George Delgado	
IV. Family Solutions Presentation	Laura Osburn, Director of Family Solutions, distributed brochures and gave an overview of programs offered by the agency.	Laura Osburn	
V. Review of CRMHS 2nd Floor Report	The board received and reviewed a copy of the report prior to the meeting. Although the plan is a good option, it was the consensus of the board to look at other options for space.	David Weniger	
VI. MHAB Sub-Committees	Membership – The Membership Committee completed its two day interviews of the candidates for the two vacant positions. Kristin Murphy and Representative Deb Wallace have been recommended by the Membership Committee to fill the two MHAB vacancies. Ms. Murphy will be representing a youth perspective on the board. She is currently a member of the Clark County Youth Commission. Representative Wallace represents the 17th District. It was difficult selecting the candidates as the board received applications from several well qualified candidates.	Quan Tran	It was motioned and approved to forward the recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners.

	<p>Warm Line – Judy has completed the Warm Line training and currently is volunteering to operate the Warm Line on Saturdays from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m..</p> <p>Cultural Competency Committee – Meetings with agency staff are close to completion. A summary report of the meetings will be available in approximately one month.</p> <p>Jails/Corrections/MH Court – The Clark County Court is in the process of selecting a judge to replace Judge Fritzler. Randy encouraged the court to consider a candidate who supports the philosophy of therapeutic jurisprudence.. Clark County's judicial system is unique in that it has <i>three</i> specialty courts: mental health, alcohol and drug and domestic violence.</p> <p>Tom is scheduled to visit with Cmdr. Clifford Evelyn and counselors and the jail to review their mental health provisions on March 15.</p> <p>Bob Fizzell and James Mead requested a meeting with the board and the RSN to discuss the role of the MH Ombudsman in Clark County.</p>	<p>Judy Borchers</p> <p>James Mead</p> <p>Randall Kleinhesselink</p> <p>Tom Stallone</p>	<p>This will be an agenda item for the board work session on March 4.</p>
VII. Public Input	<p>Cheri Dolezal announced that Portland State University has been asked to present data on the Mental Health Court at a research conference in Las Vegas. The Department of Community Services has been asked by Georgetown University to present workshops in San Francisco on the Connections project with Juvenile Justice, the Wrap Around process in Clark County, and Partnership with Youth in Transition.</p> <p>Midge made two announcements: 1) A public meeting to address our community's low-income housing and community development needs is being held on March 16 at the Luepke Center and April 7 at the Water Resources Education Center. 2) A training on Mental Health Advance Directives is being held on March 5 in the BHS Conference Room.</p> <p>James Mead announced his resignation from the board effective April 1, 2004. James is relocating to North Puget Sound.</p> <p>John Magnano, Columbia River Mental Health Services, announced that the Washington Community Mental Health Council, the RSN and others have met with each legislator to discuss restoring the ratable reduction. John also welcomed ideas on the development of the 2nd floor of CRMHS.</p>		
VIII. Adjourn	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.</p>		